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If the FDA is looking to reduce the risk of salmonella in eggs, create a policy and enforce it to STOP forced molting. Not only is this a very inhumane and cruel practice, but it creates tremendous stress in the birds that are forced to endure or die, increasing the frequency and severity of Salmonella enteritidis among these hens.

Studies show how eggs from these shocked birds are prone to salmonella (as well as other) infections.

There is no need and no justification that makes any sense to allow this cruel practice to continue

Thank you for considering stopping more poisoning, and stopping animal cruelty.

Sincerely

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